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SUBJ: SAUDI AMBASSADOR FARID BASRAWI

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1. AS MENTIONED REFTEL, AMB BASRAWI BECAME AMBASSADOR TO SENEGAL IN FEBRUARY 1964, LEFT HERE MID 1973. HE WAS BY FAR THE FRIENDLIEST ARAB DIPLOMAT TO THIS EMBASSY. SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH, IS EXTREMELY COURTEOUS AND TACTFUL. AS EXAMPLE OF LATTER, THOUGH FRENCH AMBASSADOR IS DEAN OF CORPS BY TREATY, BASRAWI WUZ SENIOR IN TIME AND SUCCEEDED TO ROLE WHEN FRENCHMAN OUT OF TOWN. ONCE OR TWICE BASRAWI ABSENTED HIMSELF FROM DAKAR UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES TO AVOID CON-FRONTATION WITHIN DIP CORPS OVER PROBLEM OF ATTENDANCE BY ISRAELI AMBASSADOR AT FUNCTIONS OF THE CORPS, A TACTIC NO OTHER ARAB AMBASSADOR WOULD HAVE TAKEN HERE. HE WAS GREAT FAVORITE OF HIS COLLEAGUES. HIS LAST MAJOR ACT HERE WAS ARRANGING FAISAL VISIT OF NOVEMBER 72, WHICH APPEARED TO GO WELL FROM BOTH SIDES, AND WHICH MAY HAVE PAVED WAY FOR PRESENT NEW ASSIGNMENT.

2. MRS BASRAWI IS CHARMING LADY, BELIEVED TO BE BORN LEBANESE. SHE SPEAKS EXCELLENT FRENCH, SOME
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